GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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RESERVATION OF SSI ITEMS
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Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the names of agencies by which the evaluation of impact of dereservation on Small Scale Industries items was conducted;

(b) the date on which such evaluation/study was conducted;

(c) whether the Government has verified authenticity of this evaluation/study; and

(d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF MICRO, SMALL & MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD)

(a) to (d): Two studies were conducted by Dalal Consultants and Engineers Ltd. and Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Contemporary Studies in the years 2001 and 2006 respectively on, inter alia, the issues relating to the evaluation of the impact of de-reservation in micro and small enterprises. The Government verified the authenticity of these studies and accepted the reports. Both the studies came to the conclusion that, de-reservation of products reserved for exclusive manufacture by micro and Small Enterprises (then small scale industries) has had no adverse impact.